

New Castle Presbyterian Church

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New Castle Presbyterian Church ~ Built 1707 ~ New Castle, Delaware

Our Mission

New Castle Presbyterian Church offers a nurturing and supportive church community where all are welcomed to join in prayer and song, study and service as all are called to demonstrate understanding, compassion, and acceptance.

By God's Spoken Word and Holy Spirit, we seek to live out the Gospel of the Risen Christ, as we grow spiritually, in strength, and with inclusiveness.

We worship God in simplicity and with clarity; we study God's Word to direct our lives; and we nurture the young and the searchers in our midst.

As a congregation and in cooperation with others, we engage in service and outreach with the local community and the world. We work to feed, clothe, and shelter our brothers and sisters while sharing the selfless and forgiving love of Jesus Christ.

As we have been blessed, we seek to use all that we have to bless others with this good news of grace and joy.

Welcome to New Castle Presbyterian Church!

Whether you are worshiping with us in-person or joining via livestream, we gather today as a community of faith, seeking and serving the God we know in Jesus Christ. May this worship service remind you that you are God's own and that together we are called to live out God's way of love, justice and peace.

For folks joining us for in-person worship,

A little help - Please see an usher to receive any assistance, including a personal seat cushion.

Restrooms are located in the Education Building, at the far end of the Fellowship Hall.

Children are always welcome in worship! Worship Bags and children's bulletins are available at the back of the Meeting House. If your family needs to step out of the Meeting House for a time, there is a livestream feed and "pray ground" in the Fellowship Hall. Nursery care will be available following the Scripture Conversation.

At the end of worship, please join us for Sidewalk Fellowship on 2nd Street.

Worship "code": * = please stand if able **bold** = all speak together

Gentle Reminders:

Please turn off all cell phones.

Parking spaces on 2nd Street in front of the Meeting House are for handicapped parking only.

Please put your bulletins in the blue recycle can at the door as you leave – we recycle!

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Pastor Miriam's day of rest is on Mondays.

**New Castle Presbyterian Church
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

June 16, 2024

10:30 a.m.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Gavotte by J.S. Bach, arr. Steven Scott
Bethany Faiz - Piano

Welcome & Words about The Life and Work of the Church

Greeting of Peace

As Jesus greeted his disciples, so let us greet one another:

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

*Please wave at your neighbors and extend Christ's greeting,
"Peace be with you".*

Steeple Bell

Call to Worship (*from Psalm 104*)

Bless the Lord my soul!

O Lord my God, you are very great.

The glory of the Lord endures forever.

Let us rejoice in the Lord!

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

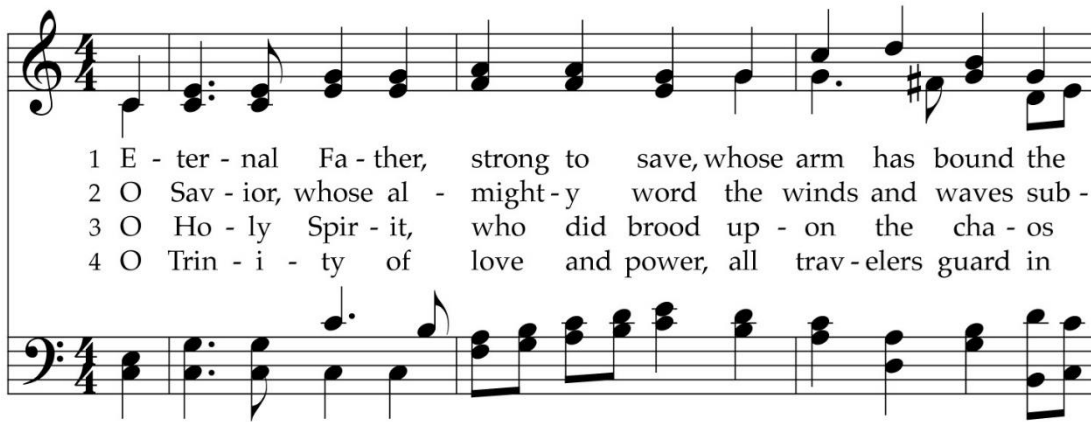
I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

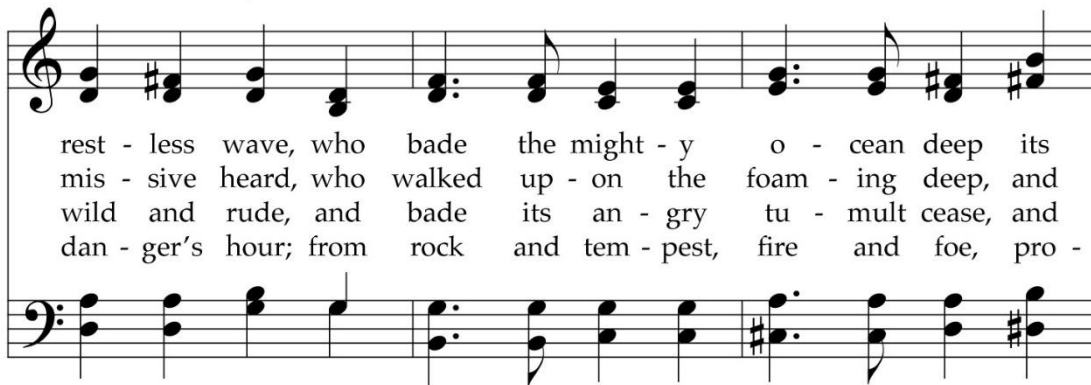
Praise the Lord!

*Hymn #8

Eternal Father, Strong to Save



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who did brood up - on the cha - os
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
wild and rude, and bade its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
calm a - mid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we
gave, for fierce con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

The year after this text was written for a student sailing to America, it was included in the most influential British hymnal of the 19th century. The tune especially composed for it preserves the ancient Roman name of the island where Paul was shipwrecked, now called Malta.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you have commanded us to not be afraid and assured us of your presence. Yet, we have kept silent when we should have spoken up. We have sought to protect ourselves at all cost instead of responding with trust in your protection. Have mercy on us, O Christ, and fill us with words of faithful hope...

(Time for silent prayer...)

Assurance of Pardon

Let us proclaim the Good News together:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

***Response #582**

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.**

**As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

World without end, without end. Amen. (sing 3x)

**As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

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PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Conversation with Children

Prayer for Illumination

O God, you are my God. You have been my help, and in the shadow of your wings, I sing for joy. When I sink low, when I grow weary, your right hand holds me fast. Send your Holy Spirit to fill my heart with thanksgiving that I would sing of your steadfast love forever. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 150

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¹ Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty firmament!^[a]

² Praise him for his mighty deeds;

praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

³ Praise him with trumpet sound;

praise him with lute and harp!

⁴ Praise him with tambourine and dance;

praise him with strings and pipe!

⁵ Praise him with clanging cymbals;

praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

⁶ Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD!

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Singing Our Faith”

Beverly Stoudt, Ray Snyder, and Janet Spring

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

*Hymn #321

The Church's One Foundation

1 The chur-ch's one foun-da-tion is Je-sus Christ her Lord.
2 E-lect from ev-ery na-tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der this world sees her op-pressed,
4 Mid toil and trib-u-la-tion, and tu-mult of her war,
5 Yet she on earth has un-ion with God, the Three in One,

She is his new cre-a-tion by wa-ter and the word.
her char-ter of sal-va-tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
by schis-ms rent a-sun-der, by her-e-sies dis-tressed,
she waits the con-sum-ma-tion of peace for-ev-er-more:
and mys-tic sweet com-mu-nion with those whose rest is won:

From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho-ly bride.
One ho-ly name she bless-es, par-takes one ho-ly food,
yet saints their watch are keep-ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"
till with the vi-sion glo-rious her long-ing eyes are blest,
O hap-py ones and ho-ly! Lord, give us grace that we,

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
and to one hope she press-es, with ev-ery grace en-dued.
And soon the night of weep-ing shall be the morn of song.
and the great church vic-to-rious shall be the church at rest.
like them, the meek and low-ly, may live e-ter-nal-ly.

This hymn was one of twelve written by an English curate to affirm the articles of the Apostles' Creed with biblical allusions such as 1 Corinthians 3:11 here. Though not created for this text, the tune was joined to it in 1868, and the two have been inseparable ever since.

Offerings of Tithes and Gifts

Bell Offertory

Fairest Lord Jesus

Setting by Douglas Wagner

Minerva Lermond and Ellie Gerhart – Handbells

Eileen Larkin - Keyboard

***Response #607**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore.

Praise triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Eternal God, through Jesus Christ, you bring new hope and new life to your creation. Help us to hear your word and obey it, that we may become instruments of your saving love. Bless these offerings that your good news would bring healing to the nations. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but

deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and

the glory, forever. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn #450

Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) Eb (G) Ab (D/F#) Eb/G (A7) Bb7 (D) Eb



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) Bb (D) Eb (G) Ab (A) Bb



naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) Ab (D) Eb (F#m7) Gm7 (G) Ab (A) Bb



thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) Eb/G (G) Ab (D) Eb



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.

***Charge and Benediction**

Steeple Bell

Postlude

I've Got Peace Like a River

(Theme and Variations)

Bethany Faiz - Piano

arr. Cindy Berry

Please remain seated through the Postlude.

As you exit, you may recycle your bulletin in the basket at the door.

Thank you for serving today:

Worship Leader: Jane Fouracre

Ushers: Susan & Jim Flook

Nursery: Lynn Smith / _____

Counters: Gail Seitz/Mary Fontinha

Coffee Hour: Sidewalk Coffee Hour

Today we remember in the Special Gifts Memorial Case:

Mary Ann Register

1816-1854

Ruth K. Johnson

1898-1988



SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER ON A SUNDAY MORNING

We are in need of ushers and worship leaders in June. **Please sign up today:**

<https://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/on-line-signups>

OPEN MIC NIGHT TONIGHT – FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come out from 6 to 8:30 tonight for entertainment by acoustic singer-songwriters, musicians, and poets. \$5 admission benefits Friendship House; drinks and goodies available for purchase.

BLUE ROCKS – AUGUST 10

GOOD NEWS: We've reserved 20 tickets to a Blue Rocks Baseball

Game. GREAT NEWS: Our seats are behind third base AND in the shade AND stacked in 4 rows of 5!!! Tickets are \$13 each. Please reach out to our resident Ticketmaster Jen Dunham for tickets

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – SUMMER UPDATES

Sunday School is on hiatus, but Nursery care will continue through the summer.

If you're interested in serving as a Nursery volunteer, please contact Molly Shaw - mollypaige1@aol.com.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all the amazing volunteers who helped in Sunday School and Nursery this year. Their time and talents make an immense impact on our congregation's youngest members. They help grow the children's faith each and every week, and help them to know our Lord and all His glorious ways. The future of our church is in good hands thanks to these wonderful folks who donate their time to the children's ministry. They are such a blessing to our church community!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SIGN-UP & PLANNING

Put on Love is our VBS for Pre-K through 12 on Sunday, July 14 from 4-7 p.m. We'll hear Paul's words to the Colossians to wear Christ-like compassion, kindness, and love. Register by July 7:

<https://www.newcastlepreschurch.org/vacation-bible-school>

We have a great group of volunteers to help teach, lead music/ games/ crafts, help serve food, and clean-up. We are still looking for a couple more volunteers, especially to help shepherd the children. Our next planning meeting will be via Zoom on Tuesday, June 25 at 7:30 p.m.; email Pastor Miriam for the link!

We are looking for some donated supplies to make the evening super fun! This week's ask: do you have some quirky shirts or coats/ ponchos that could help us "put on love"? Let Pastor Miriam know – pastor@newcastlepreschurch.org.

HABITAT WORK DAY – JUNE 22

Limited volunteer spaces are available to join with New Castle Presbytery churches for a Habitat Eastside Wilmington Work Day. Details are located in the May Newsletter. Must be 16 years of age, complimentary lunch will be provided by Concord PC, and work clothes required to participate in the build. Although the registration deadline is 6/17/24, we intend to have the ten-person volunteer slots filled quickly, so register today!

PRIDE WEEKEND IN NEW CASTLE – JUNE 29

Mark your Calendars for some exciting events to celebrate Pride Month in New Castle! On Saturday, June 29, a Drag Queen Brunch will be offered at Cabernet Candles at 410 Delaware Street.

New Castle Presbyterian will host a creative event of spoken-word, visual art and music featuring artist Phoenix from Riverfront Ministries and pianist-extraordinaire Michael Hunter at 3pm. This will be followed by a reception in the CE Building. We are asking the congregation to donate either finger foods or set-up/clean-up time for the 4pm reception. We'd like to keep it simple; similar to things that are served for coffee hour. Please sign up if you can help; there will be a sign-up sheet in the CE building. Please see either Diana Reilly or Phee Price with questions. If you'd like to be a part of planning these events, contact Phee Price at pheeprice@gmail.com

FRIENDSHIP HOUSE – SCHOOL UNIFORM DONATIONS

This May and June, we have the opportunity to donate to one of Friendship House's greatest needs: School uniforms. Many schools in Delaware require them, putting a burden on students and their families. In 2023, the Clothing Bank was able to provide over 10,000 uniform items to 18 public schools in Delaware. Donations can be made online through the Friendship Clothing Bank website at: <https://www.friendshiphousede.org/delaware-homeless/our-programs/clothing-bank/school-uniform-initiative/>

Go to the right side of the page and select from three different donation registries (Target, Amazon, and French Toast). Clothing items will then be delivered directly to the Clothing Bank. Thank you for assisting with this great cause. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Selheimer at selheime@udel.edu or 302-368-8639.

Prayer List:

To place a name on the confidential Prayer Chain, contact Susan Flook, 302-328-7346 suzieflook@hotmail.com

Continuing Care Homes / Hospitals:

Rod Denison

Coral Springs Healthcare Ctr.
505 Greenbank Rd., Room C7
Wilmington, DE 19808

Linda Twyford

New Castle Nursing & Rehab
32 Buena Vista Dr,
New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 328-2580

David Lioi

Shiple Living
2723 Shipley Road
Healthcare Ctr Rm. 505
Wilmington, DE 19808

At Home:

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New Castle, DE 19720
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Anita Johnson

Cokesbury
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HealthCare Rm 2006
Hockessin, DE 19707

Robert Lindfors

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Mary Duncan

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Wilmington, DE 19806
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Judy Hentkowski

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On Assignment with the Coast Guard:

George Spock

USCGC Scheuerman
PSC 851 P.O. Box 11620
FPO AE, 09834

On Assignment with the Air Force:

James Boyle

1150 Bole Street, Unit 54
JBPHH, HI 96860

This Week's Schedule

SUNDAY	06/16		FATHER'S DAY
		10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Sidewalk Fellowship
		6:00pm	Community Open Mic Night
Tuesday	06/18	7:00pm	Christian Education Committee
Thursday	06/20		Deadline for July Newsletter
Saturday	06/22	8:00am	Tai Chi
SUNDAY	06/23	10:30am	In-Person & Live Stream Worship
		11:30am	Sidewalk Fellowship

Kris will be on vacation Friday, June 21

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Mallory Mackie, Sunday School Coord.

Eileen Larkin, Dir. of Music

Dan Knox, Treasurer

Minerva Lermond, Dir. of Handbells

Shirley Knox, Recording Secretary

Bethany Faiz, Accompanist

SESSION

2024	2025	2026
Rob Barry	Melissa Boris	Cynthia Beam
Chris Fagles	Jennifer Dunham	Peter McCurdy
Greg Fogarty	Connie Reese	OPEN
Scott Selheimer		

Session meets the 1st Tuesday of the month

DEACONS

2024	2025	2026
Susan Fogarty	Toni Marley	Lindy Ballance
Julia Spock	Janet Spring	Liz Toto
Sandy Wilson		

Deacons meet the 2nd Sunday of the month

TRUSTEES

2024	2025	2026
Lyn Briggs	Marshall Freund	Mary Fontinha
Gary Graham	Mike Smith	Gail Seitz
Barbara Whisman		

Trustees meet the 3rd Monday every other month (Sept/Nov/Jan/Mar/May)

